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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is made in response to the Office Action mailed on September 26, 2005. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application are set forth below beginning on page 2. Remarks begin on page 8.